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SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: The facts furnished by the Hon. Minister and the hon. Member are not contradictory. The Government sanctioned payment by the District Educational Officer and the teachers withdrew the strike. The fact is that payment has not been made by the District Educational Officer to the Tanur Devadar High School. Therefore will the Government see that the payment is made early?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: The hon. Member might be correct. As orders were passed only in the first week of August, actual payment might not have been made. But the question is whether the teachers went on strike and they resumed their work. The information available with me is that the teachers went on a strike, and they withdrew it naturally after the orders were passed by the Government.

MR. SPEAKER: Question time will be extended by ten minutes.

Removal of 1,200 four-inch pipes from Mangalore

* 117 Q.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras has recently passed orders to remove 1,200 four-inch pipes kept for protected water-supply purposes from Mangalore to Tamil Nad; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY: (a) & (b) A portion of the pipes found surplus to the sanctioned scheme has been railed out of Mangalore. Further despatch of the excess quantity has been deferred.

House-sites for Harijans

* 118 Q.—SRI S. DAIVASIGAMONEY (on behalf of Sri A. Ratnam): Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any representations, dated 30th April 1956 and 10th June 1956, from the Harijans of Athur village, Kuliperai, Pudukkottai Division, Tiruchirappalli district, regarding the acquisition of house-sites for Harijans; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN: (a) The representations were received by the Collector of Tiruchirappalli.

(b) The Collector of Tiruchirappalli has directed the Harijan Welfare Inspector, Pudukkottai, to submit proposals for the acquisition of lands for provision of house-sites to the Harijans of Kuliperai and Athur villages.